Animal Word Talk

Use new words to explain an animal's life.

2.RV.1.H "Use newly learned words and phrases in discussions and speaking activities."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the words shelter, habitat, and prepare. Circle the words nearby that help explain each new word, so you can use the words when you talk.

Busy Beavers

1. At Willow Creek, beavers build homes called lodges. A lodge is a shelter that keeps a beaver safe from rain, wind, and enemies. Beavers use sticks, mud, and stones to make the lodge strong.

2. A beaver's habitat is the place where it lives. Its habitat may include a stream, a pond, and trees along the water. Beavers sometimes build a dam to slow a stream. The slower water can make a pond.

3. Beavers prepare for cold weather by gathering food. They store branches underwater near their lodge. In winter, they stay in the lodge and eat the stored food. A beaver does not sleep all winter.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Use the word shelter in a sentence to tell what a beaver's lodge does.

2. Use the word habitat in a sentence to tell where a beaver may live.

3. Say a sentence using the phrase prepare for cold weather to explain what beavers do.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose an animal other than a beaver. Say two sentences about it using at least two of these new words or phrases: shelter, habitat, prepare for cold weather.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the words shelter, habitat, and prepare. Circle the words nearby that help explain each new word, so you can use the words when you talk. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Use the word shelter in a sentence to tell what a beaver's lodge does.	**A beaver's lodge is a shelter that keeps it safe from rain, wind, and enemies.**
2	Use the word habitat in a sentence to tell where a beaver may live.	**A beaver's habitat may include a stream, a pond, and trees along the water.**
3	Say a sentence using the phrase prepare for cold weather to explain what beavers do.	**Beavers prepare for cold weather by gathering food and storing branches underwater near their lodge.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A squirrel's habitat can be a wooded park. Its nest is a shelter, and it can prepare for cold weather by storing nuts.

Accept spoken or written answers that use the target word or phrase correctly and match passage details in Part 2. For Your Turn, accept any accurate animal example with two sentences and at least two target words or phrases used correctly.